

DT07 Rec'd PCT/PTO 17 JAN 2003  
#9

**PATENT**



**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of: **Alexandr Ivanovich NIKITIN, et al.**

Serial No.: **10/009,921** Group No.:

Filed: **November 16, 2001** Examiner:

For: **METHOD OF DECORATIVE-FACING SLABS MANUFACTURING, BASED  
ON A GRANULE-POWER-GLASS-BREAKAGE, AND THE MODULE  
INSTALLATION FOR THEIR MASS LINE PRODUCTION**

Attorney Docket **U 013722-1**  
No.:

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

**STATUS INQUIRY AND RENEWED RESPONSES**

A copy of the Patent Application Information Retrieval of January 17, 2003, for the  
above application is attached. It shows a Decision of March 28, 2002.

---

**CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.10\***

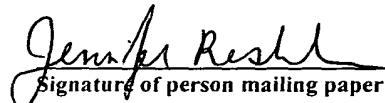
*(Express Mail label number is mandatory.)*

*(Express Mail certification is optional.)*

I hereby certify that this correspondence and the documents referred to as attached therein are being deposited with the  
United States Postal Service on this date January 17, 2003, in an envelope as "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee", m  
ailing Label Number EV011026114US, addressed to the Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231.

Jennifer Rashkin

*(type or print name of person mailing paper)*

  
Jennifer Rashkin

*Signature of person mailing paper*

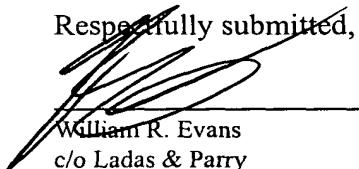
**WARNING:** *Certificate of mailing (first class) or facsimile transmission procedures of 37 C.F.R. 1.8 cannot be used  
to obtain a date of mailing or transmission for this correspondence.*

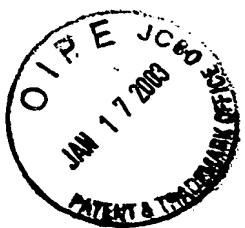
**\*WARNING:** *Each paper or fee filed by "Express Mail" must have the number of the "Express Mail" mailing label  
placed thereon prior to mailing. 37 C.F.R. 1.10(b).*

*"Since the filing of correspondence under § 1.10 without the Express Mail mailing label  
thereon is an oversight that can be avoided by the exercise of reasonable care, requests for  
waiver of this requirement will not be granted on petition." Notice of Oct. 24, 1996, 60 Fed.  
Reg. 56,439, at 56,442.*

Therefore, copies of Responses filed April 12 and August 28, 2002, along with copies of the express mail receipts and mail logs are attached and renewed.

Respectfully submitted,

  
William R. Evans  
c/o Ladas & Parry  
26 West 61<sup>st</sup> Street  
New York, New York  
Reg. No. 25858  
Tel. No. (212) 708-1930



**IN THE UNITED STATES RECEIVING OFFICE (RO/US)**

In the matter of: **Alexandr Ivanovich NIKITIN, et al.**

**International Application No.: PCT/RU99/00385**

Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks  
Box PCT  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Attention: **Rafael Bacares**  
**PCT Legal Examiner**  
**PCT Legal Affairs**

and

**Leonard Smith**  
**PCT Legal Examiner**  
**PCT Legal Affairs**

**RESPONSE TO DECISION ON PETITION UNDER 37 CFR 1.10**

A copy of the Transmittal Letter to the United States Elected Office for the above application is attached. It shows an Express Mail date of November 16, 2001, and Mailing Label Number US 011019189 US.

The Transmittal was one of a number returned by the postal service and resubmitted December 6, 2001, pursuant to the Notice of November 20, 2001 and 1251 OG 55.

The Decision on Petition Under 37 CFR 1.10(c) and 1.83 of March 28, 2002, refuses the Transmittal the date of November 16, 2001, based on some confusion that seems to have arisen in the documents resubmitted and/or typographical errors therein. Therefore, the request for the Transmittal to be accorded the date of November 16, 2001, is renewed.

In support thereof, another copy of Mailing Label Number EV 011019189 US is attached to show its postal service receipt date of November 16, 2001.

It will thus be apparent that the Mailing Label Number on the Transmittal is inadvertently incorrect in that it should begin with an EV and not a US. The applicant submits that the 11 succeeding digits and its date adequately identify it.

However, in further support, a copy of the undersigned's mail log is attached to show association of the Transmittal with a Mailing Label Number beginning with EV by the PCT number PCT/RU99/00385 and inventors name (Alexandr I. Nikitin, et al) associated with it on the mail log. It is to be regretted that such association is marred by a further inadvertent typographical error in which the Mailing Label Number on the mail log becomes EV 011019139 US instead of EV 011019189 US.

Reconsideration and grant to the Transmittal of the date of November 16, 2001, is, therefore, requested.

Respectfully submitted,

---

William R. Evans  
c/o Ladas & Parry  
26 West 61<sup>st</sup> Street  
New York, New York  
Reg. No. 25858  
Tel. No. (212) 708-1930

cc: npsp 010349



**IN THE UNITED STATES RECEIVING OFFICE (RO/US)**

In the matter of: **Alexandr Ivanovich NIKITIN, et al.**

International Application No.: PCT/RU99/00385

Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks  
Box PCT  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Attention: Rafael Bacares  
PCT Legal Examiner  
PCT Legal Affairs

and

Leonard Smith  
PCT Legal Examiner  
PCT Legal Affairs

FURTHER RESPONSE TO DECISION ON PETITION UNDER 37 CFR 1.10  
AND  
REQUEST FOR REFUND

Since the Response of April 12, 2002, it has come to attention that, in addition to the difficulties described therein, the Elected Office has opened another US application file 10/110,576 for the same above-captioned RU application.

The undersigned has attempted to call this to the attention of the office but the Decision Of March 28, 2002, appears to indicate wrong or changed telephone numbers.

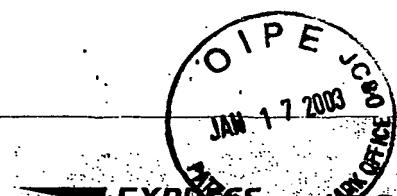
The applicant requests consolidation of the two US application files and a filing date of November 16, 2001.

Refund to deposit account 12-0425 of the charge of \$445.00 (fee code 971 and SEQ 96) of April 22, 2002, is also requested.

Respectfully submitted,

---

William R. Evans  
c/o Ladas & Parry  
26 West 61<sup>st</sup> Street  
New York, New York  
Reg. No. 25858  
Tel. No. (212) 708-1930



**EXPRESS MAIL** **POST OFFICE**  
**TO ADDRESSEE**

UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE®

**ORIGIN (POSTAL USE ONLY)**

PO ZIP Code <i>10023</i>	Day of Delivery <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Next <input type="checkbox"/> Second	Flat Rate Envelope <input type="checkbox"/>
Date In <i>4/12/02</i>	Time In <i>10:49 AM</i>	Postage <i>\$ 16.25</i>
Weight <i>10 oz</i>	Int'l Alpha Country Code <input type="checkbox"/>	COD Fee <input type="checkbox"/> Insurance Fee <input type="checkbox"/>
No Delivery <input type="checkbox"/> Weekend <input type="checkbox"/> Holiday	Acceptance Clerk Initials <i>[Signature]</i>	Total Postage & Fees <i>\$ 16.25</i>

EV 011021616



SEE REVERSE SIDE FOR  
SERVICE GUARANTEE AND  
ON INSURANCE COVERAGE

**WAIVER OF SIGNATURE** (For Domestic Only) Additonal March and seal insurance is void if waiver of signature is requested. Wish delivery to be made without obtaining signature of addressee and message agent (if delivery employee judges that addressee can tell his/her location) and indicates that delivery employee's signature constitutes valid proof of delivery.

**NO DELIVERY**  Weekend  Holiday  Customer Signature

**CUSTOMER USE ONLY**

**METHOD OF PAYMENT:**

Express Mail Corporate Acct. No.

FROM: (PLEASE PRINT)

PHONE ( )

LADAS & PARRY  
26 W 61ST ST  
NEW YORK

NY 10023-7604

GERALDINE MARTI

Federal Agency Acct. No. or  
Postal Service Acct. No.

PHONE ( )

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER  
FOR PATENTS  
BOX PCT  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20231

FOR PICKUP OR TRACKING CALL 1-800-222-1811 [www.usps.com](http://www.usps.com)



306

Customer Copy  
Label 11-F August 2000



\*\*\*\*\* WELCOME TO \*\*\*\*\*  
COLUMBUS CIRCLE STA.  
NEW YORK NY 10023-9991  
04/12/02 03:49PM

Store USPS Trans 78  
Wkstn sys5005 Cashier KR17G7  
Cashier's Name RUBEN  
Stock Unit Id STARBUBEN  
PO Phone Number 212-265-7858

1. Exp. Mail PO-ADD 0.00  
Destination: 20231  
Weight: 14.50oz  
Postage Type: Affixed  
Affix. Post.: -16.25  
Total Cost: 16.25  
Base Rate: 16.25  
Label #: EV011021616US
2. Exp. Mail PO-ADD 0.00  
Destination: 20231  
Weight: 4.20oz  
Postage Type: Affixed  
Affix. Post.: -12.45  
Total Cost: 12.45  
Base Rate: 12.45  
Label #: EV011021620US
3. Exp. Mail PO-ADD 0.00  
Destination: 20231  
Weight: 12.40oz  
Postage Type: Affixed  
Affix. Post.: -16.25  
Total Cost: 16.25  
Base Rate: 16.25  
Label #: EV011021633US
4. Exp. Mail PO-ADD 0.00  
Destination: 20231  
Weight: 3.10oz  
Postage Type: Affixed  
Affix. Post.: -12.45  
Total Cost: 12.45  
Base Rate: 12.45  
Label #: EV011021647US

Subtotal 0.00  
Total 0.00

F02



EXPRESS MAIL LABEL NO.	DOCKET NO.	APPLICANT
4/11/02 EV011021593US	PCT/US01/50333 60/236,359	Alcoa
	PCT/US02/02202 09/678,238	Northwest Aluminum
	PCT/IL04/00633 U-013975.2	Macquean, et al
APRIL 12, 2002	EV 011021616 US (PCT) PCT/ES00/00202 PCT/ES00/00202 PCT/US01/49572 PCT/US02/02201 PCT/RU99/00385 CASE 09/835,595	ANA TERESA MARCOS ANA TERESA MARCOS SAMUEL ZALANYI, ET AL ALCOA, INC. ALEXANDR I. NIKITIN, ET ALCOA INC.
	EV 011021620 US (PROV)	U 013969-7 YAMUNA ZAKE
	EV 011021647 US (DESIGN)	UD 051494-4 YAMUNA ZAKE
	EV 011021633 US (REG)	U 013970-2 MICHAEL FLAXMAN



<b>EXPRESS MAIL</b>		<b>POST OFFICE TO ADDRESSEE</b>	
UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE®			
ORIGIN (POSTAL USE ONLY)		POSTAGE	
PO ZIP Code <i>10023</i>	Day of Delivery <input type="checkbox"/> Next <input type="checkbox"/> Second	Flat Rate Envelope <input type="checkbox"/>	
Date In <i>9/28/02</i>		Postage <i>19.85</i>	
Time In <i>10:00</i>	AM <input type="checkbox"/> PM <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	12 Noon <input type="checkbox"/> 3 PM <input type="checkbox"/>	
Weight <i>.13</i>	Int'l Alpha Country Code <i>US</i>	COD Fee <i>0</i>	Insurance Fee <i>0</i>
Days <input type="checkbox"/> Weekend <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Holiday	Acceptance Clerk Initials <i>mg</i>	Total Postage & Fees <i>19.85</i>	
CUSTOMER USE ONLY			
METHOD OF PAYMENT: Express Mail Corporate Acct. No. <i>00000000000000000000</i>			
FROM: (PLEASE PRINT) <i>LAOS &amp; PARRY</i>	PHONE ( ) <i>26 W 61ST ST</i>	TO: (PLEASE PRINT) <i>ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS</i>	
		NY 10023-7604	
<i>JENNIFER RACHIN</i>		BOX REISSUE APPLICATION	
		WASHINGTON, D.C. 20231	
IBIS CARRILLO			
FOR PICKUP OR TRACKING CALL 1-800-222-1811 <a href="http://www.usps.com">www.usps.com</a>			



Customer Copy  
Label 115-AUGUST 2002

**UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE**

\*\*\*\*\* WELCOME TO \*\*\*\*\*  
COLUMBUS CIRCLE STA. 10023-9991  
NEW YORK, NY 10023-9991  
08/28/02 03:54PM

Store # USPS Wkstn Sys#004	Trans Cashier MARK	121 K2-SH8
Cashier's Name Stock Unit Id Stock Unit PO Phone Number USPS #	AFFIXED 800 275-8777 355825037	0.00

1. EXP. Mail PO-ADD  
Destination: 20231  
Weight: 13.400Z  
Postage Type: Affixed  
Affix. Post.: -17.85  
Affix. Post.: 17.85  
Total Cost: 17.85  
Base Rate: 17.85  
Label #: EVO10240600US  
Label #: EVO1024073US

2. EXP. Mail PO-ADD  
Destination: 20231  
Weight: 13.300Z  
Postage Type: Affixed  
Affix. Post.: -17.85  
Total Cost: 17.85  
Base Rate: 17.85  
Label #: EVO1024073US

Subtotal: 0.00  
Total: 0.00

Number of Items Sold: 2